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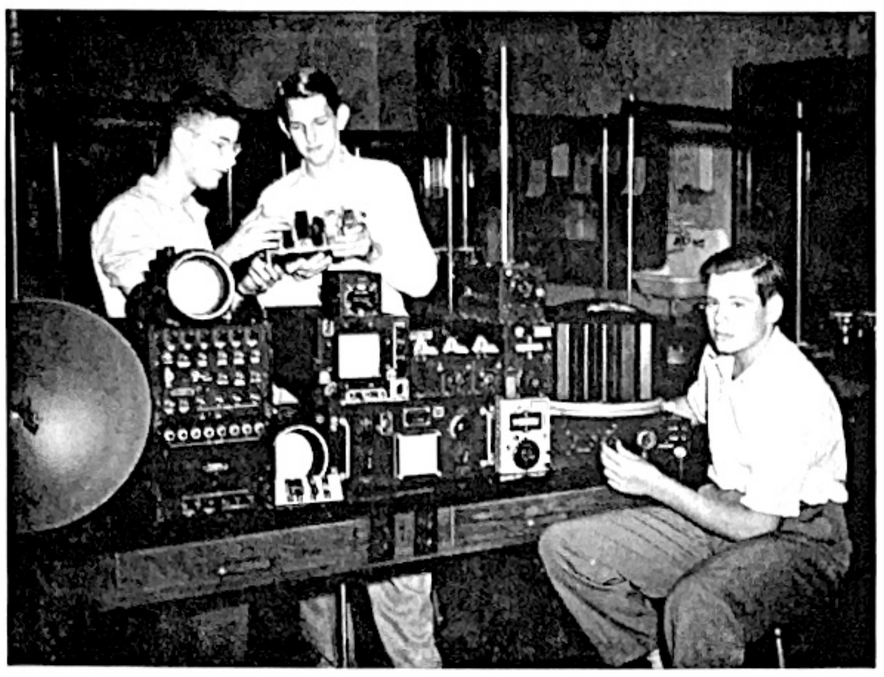

Hollander

Admiring a fraction of the government surplus material residing in 304 are, Alan Amster, Fred Porter, and Bob Scher.

Wayne French 'Inherits' Fabulous Radio Treasure

Ever wonder what the army did with its vast stores of electrical equipment after the war ended? Well, now it can be told!

Upstairs on the third floor, stashed away in the inner chambers of Mr. Wayne French, well-known physicist, lies a hidden wealth of electrical paraphernalia—worth thousands but obtained for less than a hundredth of its original cost. In fact, Mr. A. Edgar Shroyer, assistant to Mr. J. W. Main, clerk-treasurer of the Shaker Board of Education, went down to Columbus and had most of Mr. French's surplus treasure shipped here for only seven cents a pound—regardless of what he selected.

There is so much government surplus apparatus stuffed into 304 that the walls are bulging, and to make a complete list of it would be nothing short of folly. However, mentioned here are some of the most interesting items.

Packed like eggs in one of Mr. French's cupboards are over a dozen radio transmitters and receivers. These jobs, varying in value from fifty to one hundred and fifty dollars were bought for five and ten dollars, and are always eyed greedily by radio amateurs like Tom Deutsch and Bill Gray. On another shelf is a huge five hundred watt motor generator, about the size of a basketball. This is the biggest of about a hundred-odd electric motors that

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Elbow Room Offers Welcome Respite

What was once a dull and drab wrestling room, has been transformed into a noon recreation center for all students who are "hep to the jive, and the latest gossip."

Last year, under the management of Jerry Davis and the student council, a project of securing some form of lunch hour entertainment was begun. When the wrestling room was suggested, it seemed impossible that it could provide the atmosphere of gaiety which was sought by the student body. But soon brightly painted chairs and tables and swing records were added to the room, which was shortly christened the "Elbow Room" and not long afterwards, large gatherings of girls and boys flocked in to celebrate the grand opening and to dance to the strains of its inaugural record, "Tippin' In."

The Elbow Room is opened again this year by popular demand, under the leadership of President Bill McConnell. Every lunch hour, one may see Shirley Johnson and Ann Knowlton double-timing to the blaring trumpet of Harry James . . . or Charlotte Fain and Jean Cowan dancing to the beat of "Ebony Rhapsody." Often Dorsey Worthington is seen whirling Marl Marks to the tune of "Cross Your Heart," or Bill Williams dancing to every melody with a different girl.

The jazz music is on records, donated by the students and played on the phonograph, which is operated by Jim Church fourth period and Bill Kellogg fifth.

The Elbow Room extends an invitation for fun and relaxation during the lunch hour, to you and you and you.

Cover on Hi-News

Under the direction of Miss Lois Wyss and Mr. Ray Turk, the Hi-News Association is entering its third year as an active organization of school paper reporters. Forty-seven boys and girls from public and private schools all over Cleveland and vicinity meet to interview celebrities whenever they come to town. Later these articles become feature stories in the school newspapers.

Shaker's representative is John Cover, 12B. Early in October John went to the first meeting of this school year. Since the organization is sponsored by the Cleveland News, the group toured the News building where they watched a newspaper from the assignments to the finished product.

Last year, when Bob Louden was the Shakerite's representative to the Hi-News many famous personages were interviewed. Among them were Senator Robert Taft, Governor Harold Stassen, Henry Wallace, and Paul Brown.

Thank You

The number of tax stamps turned in to the Shakerite to date has even exceeded the hopes of the editorial staff. Although some homerooms have developed an apathetic attitude toward the campaign, others have taken the drive so to heart that the results can be described in glowing terms.

The homerooms of Mrs. Eva Mae Barrow, 310; Miss Gail Wickwire, 308; Mr. Eric Martienssen, 303; and Mr. Alfred Linscheid, 300, deserve special commendation. All you juniors and seniors take note of the fact that every one of these is a 10B room.

Remember, if you give enough stamps the Shakerite will be able to go to press more often. Also, if we have the pecuniary support that your tax stamps provide, we might even reach the zenith of radicalism and have six pages.

Amster and Hollander

This year's officers of the Y-Teen Club are, first row, L-R, Judy Whaley, Marion Tack, Katy Lou Englehart, and Katy Alexander; second row: Mary Diggs, Marcy Higgins, Anne Hunter, and Jane Fraser.

Y-Teen Club Elects Officers

One of Shaker's most active girls' organizations is the Y-Teen Club. Similar groups have been established in high schools all over the country, and are sponsored by the Young Women's Christian Association. Y-Teeners are junior members of the Y. W. C. A.

The purpose of the club is to build an association of girls to create friendship throughout the world. Shaker's chapter combines this objective with service work, being active in Red Cross service projects, such as children's homes, hospitals, and old peoples' homes.

This year the Miriam Stage League has merged with the Y-Teen Club to form a larger organization that can be more effective in school affairs. The officers are: Katy Lou Englehart, president; Marian Tack, vice president; Mary Diggs, secretary, Katy Alexander, treasurer; Judy Whaley, social chairman; Marcia Higgins, publicity chairman; Ann Hunter, service chairman; and Jane Fraser, inter-club council representative.

At the next meeting, Monday, November 8, a recognition service will be held. Parents of girls joining Y-Teen this semester will be invited, and tea will be served after the ceremony.

Shaker Grad Returns From Interesting Polar Expedition

Recently returned from a three-month cruise to the Arctic regions is George Webster, a 1942 graduate of Shaker High. He was ship's doctor on the 88-foot schooner "Bowdoin."

Commander Donald B. MacMillan, owner of the ship, had especially designed and built her for Arctic travel. For the past 27 summers he has been taking trips as far north as he could safely maneuver. The "Bowdoin" was surrendered to the Navy Department during the war; after four years of active duty she was returned to her owners who refitted her, and in 1947 took their first postwar cruise.

For the past several years Commander MacMillan has given the positions on the ship to college students specializing in some field of science. Dr. Webster, an Army veteran and a graduate of the Western Reserve Medical School, became interested in the trip when he heard the Commander at a lecture. He wrote a letter asking for a position on the ship, and was appointed as the medical man of the voyage.

The three-month trip started on June 19 at Boothbay Harbor, Maine. The route was Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Labrador, across the Atlantic and Davis Strait, North Greenland, over the Baffin Bay to Ellesmereland, down to Baffinland, and back to Boothbay. The farthest north the ship got was 75 degrees north latitude, just 660 miles from the North Pole! While the party was in this area the sun was visible twenty-four hours of the day.

While Dr. Webster was in Labrador, North Greenland, and neighboring territories, he made a study of the Eskimos in those regions. He also took samples of the blood of these Eskimos to study the effects of their environment upon their health, and to look for traces of influenza.

Louise Scher

Amster and Hollander

The Shakerites pictured taking advantage of the noontime dancing are, left to right, Barbara Brown, Katy Alexander, Fleur Woods and Nina Wonderlich.

Class Officers

The 11B and 12B classes recently elected their student officers for the 1948-49 school year.

Chosen by the 11B's were: Dave Gleason, president; Harry Farmer, vice-president; Ann Doyle, secretary; Henry Banks, treasurer; and Jerry MacGregor, social chairman.

The 12B executives are: Chuck McCrory, president; Bill Zweier, vice-president; Betty Small, secretary; Ted Phipps, treasurer; and Connie Wright, social chairman.

Last January the mid-year classes held their class elections. The officers elected then will remain in office until January, 1949. They are:

10A—Ronald Carlson, president; Tom Rooker, vice-president; Gretchen Haag, secretary; Dave Olson, treasurer; Marian Huebschman, social chairman.

11A—Ronnie Shulman, president; Jay Foulkrod, vice-president; Marline Marks, secretary; Evan Colton, treasurer; Jane Bellamy, social chairman.

12A—Bill Morse, president; Lou Seidman, vice-president; Dot Davis, secretary; James Davis, treasurer; Phyllis Faber, social chairman.

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Dr. Carmichel Says . . .

Have you a problem that's driving you crazy? Share it with us and get a free ride to Newburg.

Q—Dear Carmichael,

Oen day about a yeer ago, I wus out on a picnic with a girl which I didn't know two well on account of I had not seen much of her be for. As we sat down under a big coconut tree and began unpacking our lunch I looked into her bootifull blue eyes. She was brushing ants off a peanut butter and jully sandwich. But she notised me as she was about to chew off the end of a pickel, and there it was—love at first bite! Since then I have bin courtin her for nearly a year, but a few weeks ago I wen to her house and found her entertainin' my best friend. As you might gess, I waz very discumbooberated.

My problem, Dr. Carmichael is this: how can I win my best friend back?

(signed) Gregory

A.—Dear Gregory,

Your situation is not a new one to me, so do not despair. The way to a man's heart is through his stomach, I am told. So why not learn to bake fudge? If, however, you are not handy at cooking you might try strangling your ex-girl friend. This action may finally result in your own death, but at least you will enter the pearly gates with a clear conscience and a light heart.

Dr. Clamwinkle Carmichael

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Q—Dear Carmichael,

I have a girl friend named Drusilla whom I like very much because she is very pretty and is lots of fun and I like to take her out as often as I can which I do not but there is a difficulty now developing which is tending to curtail my dating and that is that I am broke so my problem is how can I take Drusilla out and not become insolvent?

Confusedly yours,
Sylvester Slutch,
Shaker Heights High School

A.—Dear Sylvester,

There is in the mythical city of Shadyside a time of year known as TWIRP season. TWIRP stands for "The Woman Is Requested to Pay." Now, if you wish to continue paying attention to this woman, it would be a good idea to suggest this plan to her, and if she does not like the idea, you might forward the plan to your friends; if they agree to it, your lady friend, and all the rest too, might be forced to accept it. This TWIRP season will be incorporated in your village (the name of which escapes me now), and it will give you fellows a chance to retrench for the rest of the year. Of course, there is another solution. You might simply take Drusilla with you on long walks through some park at night. It's cheap, and though it may not be very romantic, think of all the astronomy you will learn!

Dr. Clamwinkle Carmichael

Community Chest

Shaker's contribution to the Community Chest Campaign this year totaled $626.83, as compared with slightly over $900 collected last year. However, the school was 100%, and this was the primary objective. When queried concerning the success of the drive, Mr. L. R. Thrailkill, Director of Student Activities, stated: "The Community Fund, in my estimation, was entirely satisfactory. The amount this year, although less than last year, represents a dignified campaign devoid of high-pressure."

Shaker Culinary Arts Sampled

"Hey, who's that redhead? Is she taking a post-graduate course?"

"No, stoop—it's Miss Clark, the home economics teacher."

The young lady referred to, Miss Lois Clark, has just come over to Shaker High School from Heights High where she held a teaching job. She is not new to Shaker, though, because her father is none other than Charles Clark, illustrious science instructor of the junior high. The versatile Miss Clark conducts a morning biology class, a sixth period cooking class, and a seventh period home management class. It is the cooking class that will be discussed at length here, however, for few people have a chance to learn what goes on inside the odoriferous culinary lab of room 122.

Amster and Hollander

Preparing one of the delicacies described are, left to right, Miss Clark, Petie Gathman, Ellen Goodman, and Judy Eston.

The cooking class curriculum is this: learn preserving and canning; prepare meats and vegetables; make soups, rolls, salads, jellies, and do other plain and fancy cooking found at one time or another on the dining-room table. This is what is supposed to be done, and on paper it looks all right. But in the lab, anything can happen. We were invited to attend a class, and soon found out that different people are assigned different things to cook during each lab period. Our objective for the day was oyster stew, and after we were briefed we manned our battle stations, armed to the teeth with pots and pans.

Attack!

Ellen Goodman daintily poured a bottle of milk into a pot, and after we had wiped the splashings off our garments Judy Eston opened a can of oysters and hurled the contents into another pot. Petie Gathman stood by holding a knife and a roll of butter. After a while the edges of the oysters began to curl, and in went the milk, butter, salt and pepper. The three girls gazed on in horrified fascination as the brew began to bubble and fizz like a volcano come to life. "Now!" cried Judy, and after Petie had got some bowls out, Ellen poured the stuff into them. The time had finally come for the oyster stew to be eaten.

Ellen grabbed a spoon and dived right in. After some hesitation, Judy decided she'd try some. Petie stood by with her nose wrinkled up and deigned not to take a chance. After a while Ellen decided that she had had her fill (and maybe a little more, as she was holding her stomach). Judy had called it a day after the first mouthful. Petie sighed in relief. The reporter, not having a taste for oyster stew, and respecting the policies of this publication, will decline to pass judgment. But then, it has been said of oyster stew by the wisest of men, "Either you like or you don't."

Nearby, Martha Saah and Lois Bauer had made some cream of mushroom soup. Invited to try some, the reporter was pleased to find it a truly delicious nectar of the gods. Martha and Lois exchanged happy glances of satisfaction, for Misses Gathman, Eston, and Goodman were enjoying the mushroom soup too.

Seriously though, nearly all of the foods produced in 122 turn out well; so well, in fact, that the cafeteria people may soon have some competition.

French's Treasure

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Mr. French has been hoarding. Besides receiving half a dozen 16-mm. cameras, Mr. French also got hold of a gunsight camera, which was once synchronized with an aircraft machine gun.

"My prize," said Mr. French, his eyes lighting up, "is this gyroscopic control for an automatic pilot. It's probably the most intricate and valuable thing here." He held in his hands what looked like a mammoth conglomeration of buttons, wires, dials, and gimmicks, but it certainly was the best bargain to be found, for though the Army paid $3000 for it, room 304 got it for only nine dollars. When asked if he'd like to trade that little toy in for a new car, Mr. French's only answer was a faint smile and a far-away look.

Other articles cached away in Mr. French's storehouse include dynamotors, signal sets, beacon receivers for contacting airplanes, cathode-ray tubes, potentiometers, oscillators, radio-range controls and various and sundry dials and gauges, the uses for most of which are still unknown. "But," Mr. French said wistfully, speaking of all his treasure, "the war really wasn't worth it."

Shaker's capable physics teacher also has a radar unit. The set came complete, but last year someone made off with the "business end," for which W. F. was not at all appreciative. He said something to the effect that people who make a habit of "liberating" such things should be shot dead, and then murmured something about building an electronic burglar detector.

Another one of W.F.'s bargains is the acquisition of one hundred radio tubes which he got for a penny a piece; most of them are standard types, and some are worth up to $3.

Don Arnstine

KEYHOLE KAPERS

by
Joyce & Katy

• • • REWARD OFFERED. To anyone who has news or a brilliant idea for this Column. You'll get your name mentioned!

• • • During Know Your Club Week, some juniors and seniors joined every club they could, principally so they could get out of as many classes as possible while Gristmill pictures were taken. . . . But then came the screams of pain. They learned they had to pay anywhere from a quarter to six bits for every picture that went in. Is it worth it?

• • • **Diane (Misty) Patterson** and **Freddy Soukup** have decided to deliver mail as their occupation when they graduate. With each other's lockers as mailboxes, they're getting plenty of practice right now!

• • • A few weeks ago, the girls' varsity hockey team proved themselves to be overwhelming favorites over Heights, by 2 to 1. Now, surely our great big hunks of men should be able to uphold the honor of our school tonight by at least twice as many touchdowns as Heights High!

• • • The authors of KK have some rivals, though luckily they aren't trying for this particular job. If you read the Heights Press, you'll notice **Marjorie Skeel** has a society column. None of this low-brow stuff for her.

Katy Narten

Joyce Sheppard

• • • Have you noticed **Harold Abell** walking around on crutches? Someone must have been awfully mad—right, **Judy?** . . . What truant officer brought **Shirley Mohat** back to Shaker after a few weeks AWOL while she attended John Adams? . . . Have **Jim Sears** and **Polly Price** forgiven us for the mistake in last month's issue? . . . Why does **Marion Tack** turn "White" when a certain person walks by?

• • • It has now become the fashion for a girl to make a prisoner of her steady. To prove this, **Harry Farmer, Tom Freer,** and **Pete Acker** all have chains around their necks.

• • • Is there an almost perfect sophomore who has all these traits?

Smile of **Diane Levitt**
Opinions of **Van Seasholes**
Personality of **Don Kirk**
Hair of **Louise Scher**
Originality of **"Happy" Hanscom**
Manners of **Barbara Van Sittert**
Organizing ability of **George Karsh**
Recklessness of **Willis McFarland** (in football)
Energy of **Judy Kent**

Or does any lucky junior have all these?

Jokes of **Earl Byrne**
Ultra-talent of **Doris Scott**
Nuttiness of **Chuck Naegel**
Imitations of **Anne Doyle**
Oomph of **Mary Alice Faragher**
Reliability of **Pete Dawson**

And the citizenship award should be given to this composite senior!

Sincerity of **Martha Leas**
Eyes of **Jean Cowan**
Naturalness of **Anne Knowlton**
Ideals of **Jack Sackett**
Optimism of **Jean Genshaw**
Ready-wit of **Doug McKay**

• • • Senior High doesn't seem to provide much interest for **Earlene Morrison** or **Tom Flaherty,** both 10B's. No one over here seems to compare with two ninth graders in the Junior High.

• • • **Coach Breitenstein** is almost overdoing it when it comes to football. He refused a chance to see a World Series game in preference to a football game between two hi-schools.

Credit to Amster and Hollander

A few industrious choir members in the accustomed order. Top row: Herb Farr, Ben Di Giovanni, Bill Beutel, Steve Qua. Bottom row: Lorna Becker, Fleur Woods, June Dickerson, Shirley Mohat. Seated: Mr. Ellis.

Musical (?) Strains Traced to 311; Choir Rehearsals Is Cause

Reports have been received that Miss Helene Laitem's fourth period class is currently being disturbed by auditory impulses extraneous to a course in second and one-half year French. Upon investigation, these sounds, often debatable as to their tonal beauty, can be traced to the third floor. A few sniffs is enough to tell that all is well in 307. An ear to the keyhole of 306 finds only a quiet trig lecture underway. All heard from 300 is the cry of the lone amoeba. Suddenly the halls are filled with the massive chords of *Sourwood Mountain* (the song title is not indicative of the music) and the source of the sounds is known. It must be the Shaker High A Cappella Choir with Maestro Reynold Ellis cracking the—rather waving the baton.

Only a Choir Member Knows

As the choir files into the room, each student is greeted personally by the maestro. He or she is greeted with either a warm smile, a small glint of recognition, or complete disregard in accordance with the person's demeanor during the last rehearsal. Seriously though, the general atmosphere is such to make every person feel at ease (until said person has emitted a wrong note). There is a music folder for every two people except in the case of a few who play "first grab, first serve" and have private folders. This is a unique system whereby each students either accounts for his music or **pays.** When the folders have been distributed and one of the two accompanists, Enid Ongar and Martha Leas, has finished her five finger exercises, the maestro steps before the choir and silence is immediately predominant (?) The pianist bangs a chord on the piano, the baton descends and the room is filled with sound, usually music but sometimes noise. If the maestro can help it, and he usually can, all noise becomes music before the end of rehearsal with occasionally a few obstacles, such as persuading the tenors not to sing the soprano part or untying a few tongues after a rapid run-through of the *Woodchuck Song,* but these can almost always be straightened out except for the tenors who at least deserve credit for trying.

Choir Docket Is Full

No one will have a chance to sleep in class, because this year will be an active one for the A Cappella Choir. Leading off is a new and enlarged Christmas program. While the choir is on the stage, the three Girls' Ensembles and the Girls' Glee Club will be in the orchestra pit to accompany with choral speaking. All groups will mass for the three final numbers. Early in March, the choir will present its annual concert. Following the concert is the Lake Erie League Choir Festival on March 18. This year the festival will be at Kirk Junior High School and the six choirs will be the guests of the East Cleveland schools. This festival is generally as much fun as it is music, and all vocalists, with Elyria still in mind, are looking forward to this coming event.

The Bobby Sox Review next spring should be the best show ever. The maestro is juggling alternate plans for a super production in his capacious brain. It will be either the one-act operetta *Down in the Valley* by Kurt Weill, composer of *September Song, Lady in the Dark,* and many other hit shows and songs, or a regular revue.

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Strains of the Shaker fight song resounded through the chartered bus which carried the girls' junior and senior varsity hockey teams to the Heights field on Thursday, October 21, when Shaker played Heights.

The senior team was sparked by its forwards, Nancy Cannell, Martha Leas, La Verne Korecky, Jean Bryan, and Serene Goulder. These girls fought hard to advance the ball through the stiff opposition of the Heights backfield while our defensive players, Mary Elva Congelton, June Dickerson, Betty Downes, Lynn Wilson, Joan Narwold, and Lois Hahn halted all attacks of the Heights forwards. The game ended in a 0-0 tie.

The junior team proved to be successful on offensive play, as center forward Judy Whaley scored twice for Shaker. Excellent teamwork was evidenced by the fine passing of forwards Katy Lou Engelhart, Joyce Sheppard, Carol Smedley and Cynthia Meyers.

The defensive players were Katy Anthony, Nan Douda, Joan McDonald, Sally Wexler, Nancy Wise, and Isabel Noble. The final score, 2-1 in Shaker's favor.

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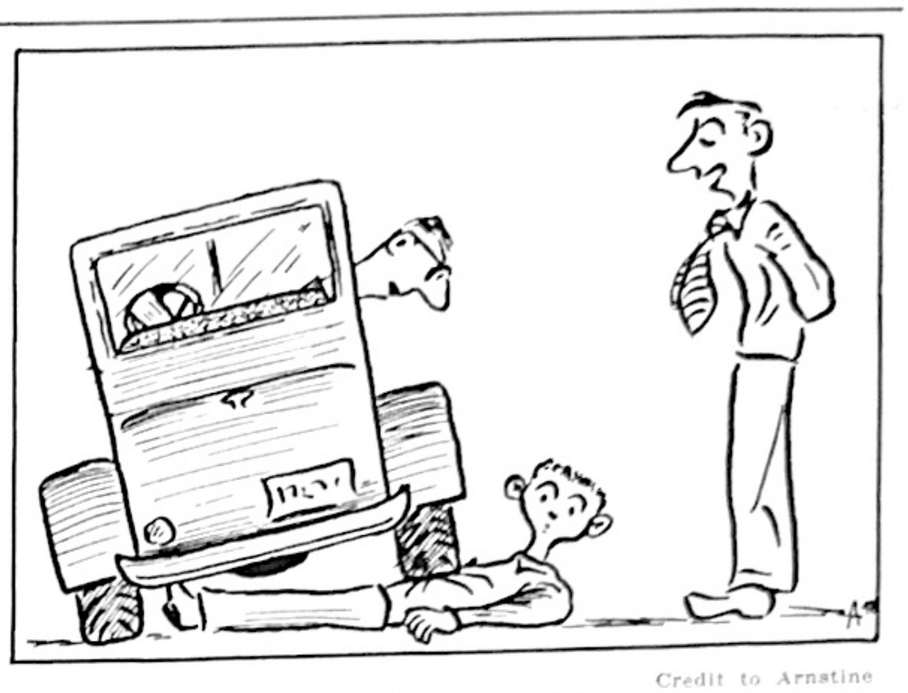

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Action during the Lorain - Shaker game. Kolb about to take a pass from Seasholes and go the remaining 40 yards for a touchdown.

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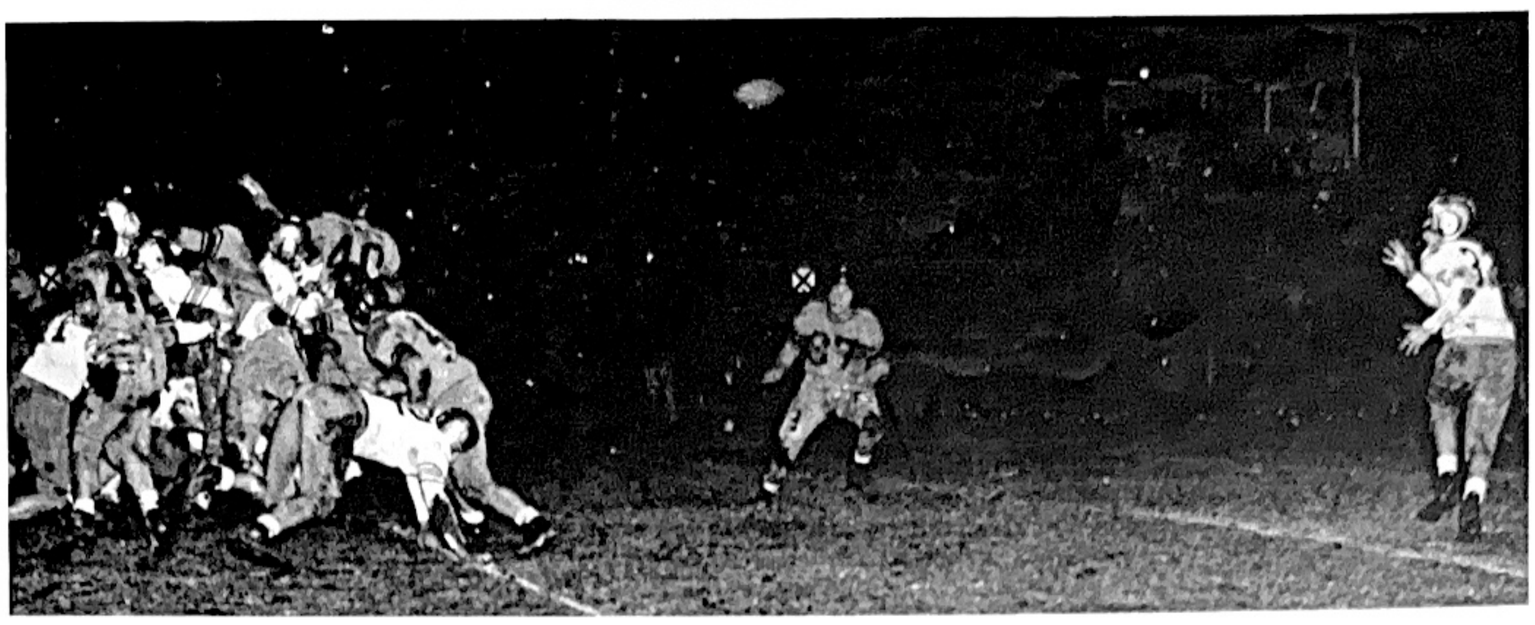


Raiders Carry Record of 3-2-1 Into Heights Clash Tonight; Sophomores Eye L.E.L. Title in First Year of League Play

Pandemonium will break loose tonight at Hosford stadium as he Shaker Heights Red Raiders try to stop the Heights Tiger in its own back yard. If any game is a big one this is it, and you can be sure the Red and White are aiming to tumble the Hill-toppers.

Heights features a high-powered running attack, spearheaded by the hard running of fullback Dave Jones and left half Clyde Mart. Ernie Joseph will be in the quarterback slot for the Black and Gold, trying to hit right end Eric Furseth with touchdown passes. If the Raiders want to smash some well-known names they can go to work on right guard Bill Edwards and left tackle Gene Oberst, both sons of prominent Cleveland football coaches.

Once again the fate of the Red and White rests on the arm of quarterback Van Seasholes. If the line gives adequate protection his copyrighted aerials may spell victory for the Raiders. Although the experts are inclined to chalk tonight's contest up to the Tigers it is not quite so clear cut as it seems, especially after Cleveland Heights was held to a tie by Elyria, a team which Shaker beat decisively. Throughout the season Shaker has shown a dangerous ground attack with Angelo Santa Maria, Dave Gleason, and Dave Neff frequently breaking away for long gains. The forward wall has demonstrated some fine defensive work, notably in its determined goal line stands. Another important fact often overlooked has been the valuable place-kicking of Bill Zweier. Given a chance to get the ball away Zweier invariably makes good on his extra-point trys. One point might easily be the difference in this game, and if it is, the odds are with the Raiders to hold the top spot.

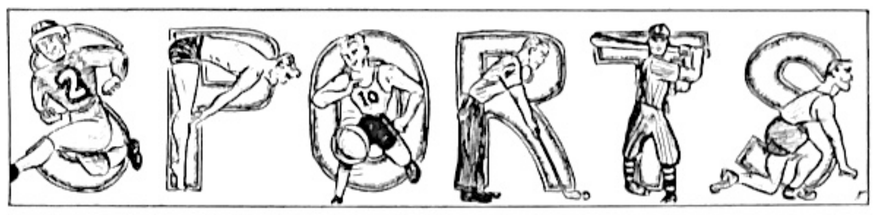
Following is the probable lineup for tonight's game:

Shaker	Pos.	Heights
Sackett	R E	Furseth
Danka	R T	Featoe
Shulman	R G	Edwards
Soukup	C	Smith
Allison	L G	Passalque
DiGiovanni	L T	Oberst
Kolb	L E	Huntly
Seasholes	Q B	Joseph
Byrne	R H	Pollack
Santa Maria	L H	Mart
Neff	F B	Jones

Surging with a vigor unknown in previous seasons, the sophomore edition of the Shaker football squad will be out to decisively roll over the Lakewood Rangers Tuesday on the home field. This year's sophomore team will take the field with an excellent chance to cop the Lake Erie League title.

Ronny Bernon will be at quarterback, calling signals and throwing passes for the Raiders. In front of him will be Henry Keller, center; Tom Terhune and Tony Lombardo at guards, Page Swing and Dutch Rosenberg, tackles; and George Karsh and Mac Blair at the ends. Tom Rooker, Ed Krieger, John Duffy, Frank Leonetti, and Neil Newman will share the backfield spots. Thus far the sophs have proved to be a well-balanced team with good passing and running and a strong defense.

It is said that a good sophomore team heralds a good varsity. If this is true, Shaker High may well be on its way to a football championship in 1950, for the 1948 sophs have been, as Raider teams go, pure world beaters. After dropping their initial contest to Maple Heights, they came back with three straight league victories over Elyria, Shaw, and Lorain and then lost a tough game to the Solon varsity. Throughout the campaign Fullback Tom Rooker, quarterback Ronny Bernon, and halfbacks John Duffy and Ed Kreiger have been standouts. Rooker's power driving and punting, Bernon's passing and the running of Duffy and Krieger make the team a smooth-running, high-scoring outfit. In the line George Karsh, Willis MacFarlane, Tony Lombardo, and Page Swing look like excellent varsity prospects. When added to first-string varsity players Van Seasholes, Denkirk, and Bill Klien, the Raiders of 1950 shape up as a very formidable football machine.



MERMEN PREP FOR FIRST MEET

When Shaker takes to the water December 3 the swimming team will have climaxed nearly two months of gruelling practice. This year the team swims on a home-and-home schedule with Lakewood, Shaw, and Cleveland Heights. The Raiders also have a meet with East Tech, last year's state champs, and wind up the season with Lake Erie League meet, and the city and state championship clashes. In preparation, Coach Stark has had the boys getting into condition since mid-October. Some of the exercises, such as five minutes of leg kicking and another five of arm stroking, make the boys wonder just how enjoyable swimming really is.

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NETTERS RECAPTURE TENNIS CROWN

Here it is! A Lake Erie League crown. Credit for this cherished triumph goes to Coach John Harbourt and his tennis squad, who on October 6 brought the coveted trophy back to Shaker after a three-year stay at Lakewood High. It was an uphill battle all the way, and to quote Coach Harbourt, "the boys just out-fought 'em, that's how they won." At first it looked like Lakewood, the western division champs, would make it four in a row as the first two Shaker singlemen dropped their matches, 1-6, 3-6 and 4-6, 0-6. However third singleman Jack Hinz was not to be stopped and after losing his first set 5-7 he bounced back to trounce Lakewood's Johnny Carr 7-5 and 6-0. Then the sterling doubles team of Bill Morse and Ned Bloomfield joined in victory with Evan Colton and George Kingsley to crown Shaker champions of the Lake Erie League. As for retaining the cup, Coach Harbourt says the chances are even better next year since the championship will be decided by season's points instead of elimination, as it was this year.

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A CHANGE HAS COME

Some of you have been wondering about the new huddle system used by the Raider football team this year and its advantage over others. In previous seasons Shaker has used usually the conventional oval shaped huddle with the quarterback and other backfield men facing the line of scrimmage, but in September Coach Brietenstien made a drastic change. Now the huddle is no longer oval shaped nor does the quarterback face the scrimmage line. At first the linemen were placed, according to position, facing the play and the backs formed a line behind them. The quarterback called plays with his back to the scrimmage line. This is designed to give the players a chance to see their moves as the quarterback calls the plays and also to prevent confusion in breaking from the huddle. However as it became necessary for the quarterback to talk to the ends on passes, to prevent tipping off the play, the ends were placed on each side of the quarterback so that the opposition might not see them talking and diagnose the play.

Grapplers Sight Good Season With 5 Lettermen Back

This year the wrestling team is hoping to have one of its best years since the sport originated in Shaker. With spirit, confidence, and material the boys are aiming for the highest honor in wrestling; that is to become city champions. Not only does the team have five lettermen but also a promising crop coming over from the junior high.

Joe Matovich in the 150-pound division, Earl Weiss representing Shaker at 145 pounds, Norm Greenburg, the outstanding contender at 140 pounds, Dick Klein, one of last year's spark plugs at 130 pounds, and Bob Greiner, a two-year letterman in the 112-pound division highlight the group. Fighting hard for a place on the team are Don Janseen, Tom Terhune, Pete Acker, Bob Janson, Phil Skaff, Mike Cianciola, and Lou Rippich who combined with the lettermen should make up a rough and tough fighting Shaker team. For the first time since wrestling has become a regular sport at Shaker, the team has been placed in the Greater Cleveland Wrestling Association which has all the top teams from Cleveland matched against each other and Shaker is a leading contender for the crown.

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